

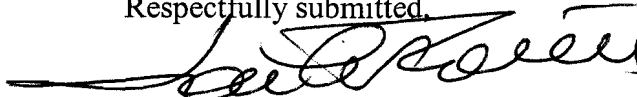
**REMARKS**

Claims 9-39 remain in this application. Claims 9, 10, 11 and 25 have been amended. No new matter has been added.

Based on the foregoing, Applicant respectfully submits that the claims of the present application as currently listed are allowable and requests that a timely Notice of Allowance be issued in this case.

Should any further questions arise concerning this application or in the event that the above amendments do not place the application in condition for allowance, Applicant respectfully requests a telephone interview. Attorney for the Applicant may be reached at the number listed below.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Jon L. Roberts", is written over a horizontal line.

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